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In re the Application of: **Akio Kobayashi**

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(as amended)**AMENDMENT with R.C.E.**Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This paper is in response to the final Office Action dated July 15, 2009. An R.C.E. is filed herewith.

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Claim amendments start on page 2. Remarks follow the claims.

Applicant's summary of interview: the Applicant agrees with the Examiner's summary. The Remarks below reiterate the Applicant's arguments made during the interview.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the Patent and Trademark Office (Fax No. (571-273-8300) on October 12, 2009.

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